

**ANTILOPE ZEBRA GRAY, 1838 (MAMMALIA): PROPOSED
ADDITION TO THE OFFICIAL LIST AS THE NAME OF THE
ZEBRA DUIKER. Z.N.(S.) 1908**

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Although Allen (1939, *Bull. Mus. comp. Zool.*, Harvard **83** : 489), Ellerman, Morrison-Scott & Hayman (1953, *Southern African Mammals* : 178), and Haltenorth (1963, *Handbuch der Zoologie* **8**(32) : 70) had used the name *Cephalophus zebra* (Gray, 1838) for the Zebra Duiker, Kuhn (1966, *Z. Säugetierk.* **31**(4) : 282-293) revived the name *Cephalophus doria*. As *A.* (= *Antelope*) *Doria* this name was given by Ogilby (1837, *Proc. zool. Soc. Lond.* **1836** : 120-121) to "... the beautiful species mentioned by Mr. Bennett (*Proc. Zool. Soc.* 1833, pl 1) which is a real *Antelope* ..." But, as maintained by Allen (op. cit.: 528), it is a synonym of *Antelope mhorrr* Bennett, 1833, now known as *Gazella dama mhorrr* (Bennett, 1833).

2. Kuhn (op. cit.: 284) argues that Ogilby must have meant the imperfect skin of a Zebra Duiker mentioned by Bennett (1832, *Proc. zool. Soc. Lond.*: 122-123) because it would have been unnecessary to point out that a gazelle was a "real antelope"; "beautiful species" was clearly referable to the Zebra Duiker, not the gazelle; and there had been no need to give a new name to the Mhorrr Antelope, already dealt with adequately by Bennett.

3. This is not unreasonable, and it may be admitted that Ogilby could well have meant the Zebra Duiker, as Allen (op. cit.: 528) suggested. But, whatever he intended, Ogilby in fact applied his name *A. Doria* to *Antelope mhorrr* Bennett—the reference is explicit, and the only specimen mentioned there is the Mhorrr Antelope, formally named on the next page. If he meant "*Proc. Zool. Soc.* 1832 : 122-123" he should not have written "*Proc. Zool. Soc.* 1833, p. 1". Haltenorth (loc. cit.) considered *A. doria* a *nomen nudum*, but the page reference to *A. mhorrr* prevents this, though it would be a *nomen nudum* otherwise.

4. It is not true, as Kuhn claims, that *doria* was always accepted for the Zebra Duiker before 1939, as over 100 years ago Sundevall (1847, *K. svensk. Vetensk.-Akad. Handl.* **1845** : 196) used *A. zebra* Gray, pointing out that Ogilby had named *A. doriae* (sic) without description and citing only the reference to *A. dama* and *A. mhorrr*. By contrast, there is no ambiguity whatever about the name *Antelope zebra* Gray, 1838 (*Ann. nat. Hist.* **1** : 27) which is sufficiently described, and the type specimen is in the British Museum (Natural History), London, Reg. No. 38.4.16.237.

5. It is proposed that the International Commission should:

- (a) place the specific name *zebra* Gray, 1838, as published in the binomen *Antelope zebra*, on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology;
- (b) place the specific name *doria* Ogilby, 1837, as published in the binomen *Antelope doria* (a junior objective synonym of *Antelope mhorrr* Bennett, 1833) on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Specific Names in Zoology.